

TOMORROW HOLDS NO FEARS FOR ME, SINCE I HAVE FOUND TODAY.—Vivian Laramore

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Between the Deadlines



IN AND ABOUT BETHEL

Mrs. Francis Noyes is spending a few days at Lewiston.

Harry Eldredge is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Ralph Berry.

Frank Littlehale of Portland spent the week end in town.

Mrs. Lucius McAllister spent the week end with relatives in Norway.

Mrs. Alfred Adams of Shelburne spent Wednesday with Mrs. Vittella Crosby.

Alberta Olson visited Elizabeth Lane in North Newry a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wright and son Gerald were in Berlin over the week end.

Ralph Abbott of Mechanic Falls was calling on friends in town Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Kimball and Harvey Sweetser were in Groveton N. H. last Friday.

Margaret Noyes underwent a tonsil operation at the C. M. G. hospital Tuesday morning.

Marilyn Mace and Elizabeth Lane of North Newry climbed Mt. Spec one day last week.

Mrs. L. J. Holt and son Donny are spending some time with her mother, Mrs. Frank Robertson.

Alice McAllister was the lucky winner of a radio console at the Bryant Pond Field Day Saturday.

Miss Beverly Noyes and Erlend Noyes are spending some time with friends at South Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hamlin are spending a few days at Berlin, N. H., guests of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Gale.

Mrs. L. E. Davis came home Sunday from the hospital in Bethel where she has been a surgical patient.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendall Gibbs and daughter, Nancy of Peabody, Mass. were guests of relatives in town the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Mills and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Card of Norway were guests of relatives in town Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rene Morrill and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Thurston spent the week end at the Thurston cottage at Umbagog Lake, Upton.

John P. Howe has bought the Gilbert Tuell place at the corner of Broad and Paradise, now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Philip Burns.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Roderick Jr. of Dover, N. H., returned home Friday after spending a month with Mr. and Mrs. Richmond Roderick.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Clark and daughter, returned to Melrose after spending a vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Norris Brown, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Joyce and family called on Mr. and Mrs. Gary Williams in Farmington Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Brown and Gayland Roderick of Dover, N. H. returned home Friday after spending a few days at the Roderick home.

Miss Patsy O'Brien, a student nurse at the St. Louis Hospital, Bethel, N. H. came Monday to spend a three weeks' vacation at her home here.

Week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. Pratt and family were his sister, Mrs. Lily Demaris and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Pratt, all of Sherbrooke, Quebec.

Miss Alice Carter, Miss Frances Carter and Miss Emily Day, all of Newton, Mass., are spending a vacation at the Brick End House at Middle Intervale.

Work started Wednesday on alterations and the foundation necessary for the vault of the Casco Bank & Trust Co. in the quarters formerly occupied by Edward J. Lyon.

Albert Kimball of West Bethel was badly injured last Monday working in the woods on Grover Hill. He was caught between a tree and a rolling log receiving a broken arm and leg.

Jack and Jane Greig who have been spending several weeks with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arnot Brown returned with their parents to their home in Arlington, Mass. Saturday.

The Mizpah Club, Past Chiefs of the Pythian Sisters, met Tuesday at the Saunders' camp, Songo Pond. Besides the business meeting a program and picnic were enjoyed by the members present.

Mrs. Alma Lafayette returned to Portland Tuesday after spending some time with her sister, Mrs. L. E. Davis and family. She will soon resume her duties as nurse at Greenwood Mountain Sanatorium.

Mrs. Floyd Bartlett and two children Donna and Jimmie, returned Saturday from Bangor where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Orman Smart for a few weeks. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Smart, who remained for the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Anna Bartlett.

MAINE IN WASHINGTON

(From the Office of Senator Owen Brewster)

Bowdoin and Maine To Divide At Brunswick

Responding to appeals by the Maine delegation in Congress, Navy Department Officials have recognized the importance of G. I. programs at Bowdoin College, Brunswick, and the University of Maine, at Orono. As a result the Navy Department has instructed the Commandant at the Brunswick Naval Air Base to invite the President of Bowdoin and the President of the University of Maine to Brunswick for a conference to determine a mutual division of the facilities at the Air Base recently discontinued and see if it is possible for both colleges to use the Base for training purposes.

Ever since the war preparations began Bowdoin has had a naval auxiliary training unit. It now purposes to carry on the unit for the G. I. educational program. At the University of Maine some 1,500 G. I.'s were registered for education courses. It was originally thought that these courses could be held at the Air Transport Base at Dow Field, Bangor, and to use the housing and certain existing facilities. The War Department, however, ruled that a fighter squadron is to be located at Dow Field, and that when this unit has been installed, the entire facilities of the Base are to be used by the squadron and that it is not consistent with War Department usages to permit outside non-military activities to be carried on. This was a sad blow to both the University of Maine and waiting G. I.'s. The University of Maine found it impossible to find sufficient housing and finally turned to the possibility of sharing some of the facilities at the Brunswick Naval Air Base, though it was known at that time that Bowdoin College had applied for the establishment for its naval unit at that Base.

Conference and Surveys for G. I. Education

President Sills of Bowdoin College and Dr. Hauck, President of the University of Maine will take their experts with them to this conference at which time a detailed survey will be made of the base to see if it is possible to reach a mutual agreement in regard to a division of the property and facilities to house and carry on the activities and educational program of both Bowdoin College and the University of Maine. The outcome is largely awaited by the two schools and more especially by the G. I.'s who are anxious to continue their education.

New Industrial Possibilities for Maine

Inquiries are now being made at the office of the Maine delegation in Congress in regard to business locations in Maine. Now comes Colonel H. S. Evans of the Chemical Warfare Services soon to be discharged from the Army who is renewing his interest and inquiry in regard to developing and locating an industrial plant in Maine for the manufacture of birch bark stoppers and caps and other items heretofore made of cork.

When the war came on the export of cork, principally from Portugal was greatly reduced and caused great hardship in those countries using cork for insulation and other purposes. Colonel Evans has developed his substitute to a point where he has successfully demonstrated that a birch bark stopper and insulating board can be successfully made. It proves to be almost as light and almost as resilient as cork itself. The Colonel feels that further scientific research and development is necessary and that it might be possible to complete these details in one of the laboratories in Maine. He has chosen Maine for the location of his plant. He claims that his preliminary shows that millions of

A three day start with little intermission, running early Sunday morning brought a welcome end to several weeks of dry weather with many hot days.

The use of hoses for lawns and gardens was stopped by the water company last Friday when a break was discovered in the main pipe with the water supply getting low.

There was a picnic Wednesday at Saunders' camp, Songo Pond for the Junior Department of the Methodist Church, meeting at the church for transportation at four o'clock. Lunch and punch was furnished. The colored children who are guests in town were special guests at the picnic.

Week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson were: Miss Rose Lloyd of New Orleans, La.; Miss Janet Hodgdon of Bridgeport, Conn.; Miss Mary Gibbs of Newton Center, Mass.; Miss Letitia Watson of Georgetown, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Gibbs and daughter, Nancy of Peabody, Mass.; and Guy Gibbs of Wilton, Maine.

There will be a picnic supper for the members of the American Legion, Auxiliary and their families at 4:30 P. M. on Sunday, July 29, at the Pavilion, Songo Pond. Beach recreations have been made and a boat is available. Beans, salads and coffee will be served. Bring your own box lunch, fork, spoon, plate, and cup. Those who do not have transportation, meet at the A. L. home at 2:30.

COUNTY REPUBLICANS MEET HERE

A meeting of the Oxford County Republican Committee was held in the Community Room, Bethel, on Tuesday evening, July 23rd.

State Committeemen Lila Sowell, State Committeeman Paul Noyes and several Town Committee Chairmen and party workers were present. The Whirlwind Political four of Oxford County in which Senator Owen Brewster, Governor Horace Hildreth, Rep. Robert Hall, county candidates, committee members and guests will take part is to be on August 30th and 31st. Plans were discussed for the tour as well as for rallies which will be held in August. The next meeting of the committee will be in Hiram. A supper and rally will be held at this time and announcement will be made as soon as arrangements are completed for the affair.

GOING TO A FIRE?

Some people may not believe it, but these remarks are not aimed at any individual. It has happened all too often that after an alarm for fire has been sounded, the rush of firemen to the fire station creates a needless traffic hazard. The fact that a member of a fire company is expected "to repair, upon call, forthwith" to his apparatus does not justify excessive speed which is done by another person who he called reckless driving. Under these circumstances the liberal sounding of the horn cannot clear such a driver of blame for damage to another's car, injury to its passengers, or to pedestrians or children.

points of inner and intermediate bark layers are wasted annually in Maine. This waste could be turned into a valuable and useful product. Samples of birch bark products have been shown in Washington to the War and Navy Departments and Members of Congress and produced a very favorable reaction.

The industry may be a worthy successor to the various birch bark canoe business carried on by the Indians in the Colonial and pre-Colonial days in Maine.

Senator Brewster Returns From Visit

Senator Brewster was back in Washington this past week after a brief aerial tour of the Pacific to observe the Atomic Bomb Test at Bikini on July 1st and to represent "the Senate at the Independence Day ceremonies for the Philippines in Manila on July the fourth.

Senator Brewster also flew to San Francisco for luncheon with General MacArthur, where a most encouraging report was given on the Japanese situation.

The remainder of the Senatorial trip continued on an inspection trip around the world, while Senator Brewster flew back from Tokyo, covering the 10,000 mile journey in 52 hours.

Adjustment

It is now expected that Congress will recess or adjourn on July 26th after one of the most strenuous sessions in the history of Congress. It is expected that all members of the Maine delegation will immediately return to Maine to engage in the campaign which terminates in the election September 3rd.

The Maine Delegation undoubtedly made its best work contribution to Congress. Members of the Maine Delegation serve on Commerce, Finance, Library, Naval Affairs, Territories and Insular Affairs, Special Investigation of the National Defense Program, Special Investigation of the Petroleum Resources, Appropriations, Foreign Relations, Interstate Commerce, Patents, The Rules Committee, The Special Commission of Wild Resources, all in the Senate. The Judiciary, Invalid Pensions, Merchant Marine and Fisheries and Naval Affairs in the House. The Maine Senators and Congressmen have worked earnestly and diligently on these committee places during the performance of their Congressional duties.

In addition to all of these committee activities the Members have held many Delegation meetings for the purpose of discussing and acting upon numerous problems concerning the welfare of Maine and her people.

APPRECIATION

"I wish to extend my appreciation to my friends who called, also those who sent their kind wishes on this, my birthday.

HARRY NEWHALL, HEAD 1886 July 21 1946

Traveling magazine subscription agents are again in Maine towns. Local people are reminded that these sales people can offer nothing that cannot be matched by your old home town magazine and newspaper subscription agency, The Citizen Office. We can also give you satisfactory service through the use of your subscription. Why not get our prices?

CHARLES CUSTER QUIMBY

Charles Custer Quimby died suddenly at his home in Gilead July 19. Mr. Quimby was born in Phillips, Maine 70 years ago the son of Daniel and Lucy Leavitt Quimby.

A graduate of Phillips High School, he was employed as a lumber marker until 1917 at Redington Mills, Bigelow, Holyoke, Richmond, La. Touque, and Rumford. Since then he had been a truck and dairy farmer in Gilead. In 1938 he married Carrie Oakes of Rangeley. After her death, he married Miss Edith Cole of Gilead.

Mr. Quimby was usually one of the survivors of wood and lumber and for several years held the office of selectman in Gilead.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Edith Quimby; two daughters, Mrs. Sutton Walke of Grandlake Stream and Mrs. John Farquhar of Newry, N. J.; and a son, Charles Custer Quimby of Raymond, N. H.

A second son, Daniel, died in 1937. There are also 10 grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held from the Gilead Church at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon. The Rev. John Foster officiated. Burial was in the Lary Cemetery.

MINNIE ROSE WILSON

Mrs. Minnie Rose Wilson died July 20 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Will Powers, Sunday River, where she had lived for some time.

Her parents were Napoleon J. and Louise Rainey Goodrow. She was born in Canada April 2, 1875.

Funeral services were from the Gilead Church at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning. The Rev. William Penner officiated. Burial was at the Sunday River cemetery.

COMMUNITY ROOM A POPULAR CENTER

At a mid-season meeting of the Community Room Committee, John Foster's resignation was accepted, with deep regret but with deeper appreciation of his enthusiastic sponsorship.

Mrs. Donald Brown was appointed by the Assessor to take his place. Kimball Ames was elected chairman for Mr. Foster's unexpired term. The room will continue to be open Monday and Friday evenings for the high school group and interested persons will be asked to act as hosts or hostesses so that as many as possible will participate in its activities.

That the room has proved its value since April is evidenced by the fact that it has been used on over 20 different occasions with a total attendance of over 700.

ALL ROADS LEAD TO HIGHMOOR SHOW AUGUST 3

Highmoor Farm, Monmouth, will be the scene of the outstanding dairy show of Maine August 3, when over 200 cows and heifers will be shown and judged.

Cows in the show will be judged on the basis of their D. H. I. A production records and type. Heifers will be judged on type alone.

Jordan E. Atwood of Wells River will judge the Ayrshires. He is a large Ayrshire breeder in Vermont.

R. W. Dunckley, new field man for American Jersey Cattle Club will be present at the show.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the show. There is a program planned for the women folk during the day by Mrs. Doris Ladd of the Extension Service.

In addition to the cattle show and judging there will be an excellent chance to see the pasture improvement research that is being carried on at Highmoor Farm. Free for hay, and many other things too numerous to mention.

Herds that have already entered animals in the show from Oxford County D. H. I. A are: West Main Maine Sanatorium, Oscar Fitchell and Son, Bryant's Pond, Cummings Bros. South Paris, Frank Evans, Bridgton.

THE LOW DOWN FROM HICKORY GROVE

I see where the government is going into the fertilizer business to help agriculture. It says it will convert ammunition plants into fertilizer factories. The fertilizer will be for Germany and Japan and away places. So, day by day a few bits are cooked up that keep our U. S. A. nose to the grindstone.

And when the foreign countries get up steam via our fertilizers and start raising excess crops, they will underfeed and take away the U. S. A. farmers' market. A fine kettle of fish it will be then—here.

Sounds kinda goofy, says Henry. But why, he says, don't they just tear down the powder and dynamite plants and sell the lumber and pipes—everybody dying to build a house, but can't. Henry, I says, if they tear down the plants where will the 3 million excess boys and girls in Govt. jobs go, where will they find soft swivel chairs, free gas, traveling expenses and so much more and comfort. It is like Mussolini's school after the first war when it muscled in on the power business—and nice jobs and a good time were had by all—and still are.

Yours with the low down, JO SEBASTIAN

15 KILLED IN MAINE AUTO ACCIDENTS IN JUNE

During the month of June this year there were 14 fatal automobile accidents which resulted in the death of 15 people. There were 6 drivers, 4 passengers, 4 pedestrians and one bicyclist.

Twelve of these accidents occurred in rural areas and 2 in urban sections, ten occurred in daylight hours and four after dark. The principal causes were excessive speed, defective equipment and the improper conduct of pedestrians.

America's vacation bound travelers are rolling across the country seeking rest from their daily cares of life, where they can relax and enjoy fishing, swimming, golf and the quiet contemplation of the beauties of nature. That is the life thousands will be looking for every week this summer.

Maine, with its many natural advantages for an out of doors vacation, will attract heavy streams of tourist travel. With the heavy increase in summer travel, accidents are more likely to increase. Being realistic enough to foresee that accidents will happen and being optimistic enough to feel they can be prevented, we want to give a few suggestions as to how one can enjoy summer driving and still return home without a mishap.

First of all, we would like to advise you to be comfortable. A simple wardrobe is the motorist's best guarantee against discomfort. Light-weight clothing allows proper ventilation and reflects rather than absorbs sunlight.

If you expect to make a rather long trip, it is advisable to keep posted on the weatherman's predictions. If you read in the newspaper or heard over the radio that you are to have a heat wave, avoid staying on the road for a long stretch without a rest. Hot weather driving can wear down a driver's resistance fast. Stop occasionally for a rest. Get out of the car and stretch. Avoid eating a heavy meal just before driving.

Whether you expect to take only a short trip now and then or an extended journey across several states, be sure your car is in proper mechanical condition. A check-up in a garage may prevent a breakdown on the highway and any kind of car trouble causes inconvenience and delay.

Good tires are absolutely essential and almost as important as good tires are proper inflation pressures.

No trip should be made without good brakes. On a long trip check your brakes at the start of each day's travel. When you feel time should be checked, don't take chances on driving without adequate adjustment.

With a car in good mechanical condition, the responsibility for safety rests upon the driver.

L. G. Goss, I. Shaw, Director, Division of Traffic & Safety, Maine State Police.

JOHNSON—GROVER

Among the brides in the Nation's Capital was Stella J. Grover of East Stockholm, who was wed to Narven Lee Johnson, GM 30, U. S. Navy.

The marriage took place in the parsonage adjacent to the Trinity Methodist Church, located at 5th and Seward Square S. E. at 7:30 o'clock on the evening of July 13. Rev. Daniel W. Justice officiated at the double ring ceremony.

Mrs. John H. Givins was matron of honor and John H. Givins was best man. The bride wore blue and the groom was attired in white uniform.

Among those present to see this couple united in matrimony were: Mr. Daniel L. Covington, Mrs. Allen V. Putnam and son, Mrs. Daisie L. Anderson, Miss Helen Suggs, and Mr. Francis Preston Barrell and the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Givins, Annette.

After the ceremony, a small reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Givins.

This week end the newlyweds will travel to the home of the groom's parents in Belmont, N. C. for a short visit.

ROLFE—PHILIPPE

Monieur et Madame A. Philippe announce the marriage of their daughter, Monique to W. C. J. J. Harold B. Rolfe, U. S. Army on July 17, 1946 in the Norwegian Church, 6 Rue Bouquy-Trouin, Rouen, France. W. C. Rolfe has served 3 years and 3 months in the U. S. Army 27 months of which he has been in France and Germany.

PLEASANT VALLEY GRANGE

Pleasant Valley Grange of West Bethel met Tuesday evening, July 23 with 22 members present. Officers present were:

Chaplain—Doris Walker Secretary—Frances Bennett

It was voted to make several repairs on the Grange Hall and to hold a fair in the fall to be in charge of the Home and Community Welfare Committee.

The literary program was in charge of the Home and Community Welfare Committee. A number of members were present and the evening was enjoyed and the meeting was realized.

At the next meeting, August 13, children's night will be observed. Clara Rolfe and Carla Bennett to have charge of the refreshments. There were visitors from Bear Mountain Grange.

Veterans Urged To Seek Jobs

Readjustment allowances are poor substitutes for jobs, L. C. Fortier, Maine Unemployment Commission chairman advised Maine veterans today.

"These readjustment allowances, like unemployment compensation, should be considered as insurance, and used only as a last resort in cases of dire emergency," Fortier said.

"An unemployed veteran is his own best employment agent," Fortier pointed out, in urging Maine veterans now claiming readjustment allowances for unemployment to make diligent search for jobs themselves.

"Thousands of jobs open a year ago have been filled by workers released from the armed services and at the present time veterans have not the wide range of choice which was available a year ago," Fortier said.

"But in spite of the increased number of workers available people by the hundreds are being hired every day," he said, "and if an unemployed veteran is to get a job he must be at the right place at the right time. Mere registration at an employment office is no guarantee of a job."

"The veteran serves himself best by adding his own job hunting efforts to those of the employment service."

"The veteran who unnecessarily delays his readjustment to civilian employment does himself an injustice."

"There is little prospect that jobs will be more plentiful in the near future, and at the same time more workers are becoming available for these openings."

"Readjustment allowances, like unemployment compensation are limited, and may be used up just when those eligible need them most," Fortier said.

Fortier added that families, friends, and home communities can render invaluable service to the great group of young veterans who have had no previous civilian occupations or job hunting experience. Those who have had years of experience in various types of employment and in the technique of job hunting can help thousands of these young Maine veterans in getting the start which they need so badly. The NTC chairman added

BETHEL BASEBALL TEAM HAS MONTH'S SCHEDULE

With eight games planned for the local baseball team in the next four weeks, three performances will be on the home diamond with the expectation of another game to be played here early in August.

The last now includes:

Sunday, July 28, at Oxford

Tuesday, July 30, at Bryant Pond

Friday, Aug. 1, at Rumford

Friday, Aug. 2, Canton here

Sunday, Aug. 11, at Canton

Wed. Aug. 14, at South Paris

Thurs. Aug. 15, Wilton here

Wed. Aug. 21, Norway here

PERSISTENT WOODS FIRE

The fire pumpster crew was called Monday afternoon to the "Chain" Hill road where the woods fire of the preceding Tuesday had broken out again. This time the fire had gone in the ground several feet and set a spruce tree aflame. The firemen were called to the scene place on a silent alarm Saturday night.

RECORD EARLY POTATO CROP

The early potato crop of the United States this year, will be at an all-time high of 70 to 75 million bushels, according to estimates that have been received at the Oxford County Office of the Agricultural Conservation Association.

The County Home Demonstration Agent, Miss Evelyn Lyman, states that home makers can conserve vital foods for shipment abroad, and at the same time they can add variety and nourishment to menus by liberal use of 1-1/2 bushel spuds.

Miss Lyman says that one small bushel of potatoes approximately equals a slice of beef in food value.

"The potato also offers some vitamin C. Here are four general ways that potatoes may be used to good advantage:

1. Top meat pies and other baked dishes with fluffy mashed potatoes instead of pastry crust.

2. Serve creamed meat, chicken or fish on mashed potato instead of on toast.

3. In place of poached egg on toast try eggs baked in nest of mashed potatoes.

4. At breakfast, occasionally let potatoes replace wheat cereal, toast or biscuit.

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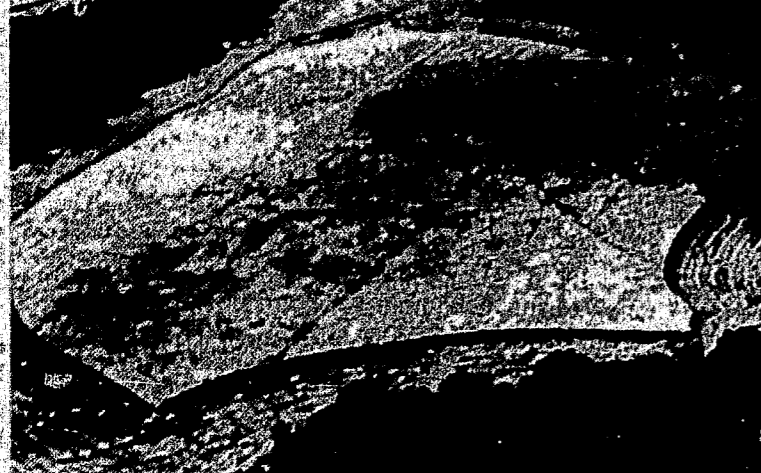
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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Excess Profits Tax Is Urged; Tourists' 'Victory Vacations' Are Crowding America's Parks

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

EDITOR'S NOTE: When columns are expanded in these columns, they are those of the Western Newspaper Union and not necessarily of this newspaper.



IOWA HARVEST . . . This picture was taken six miles southeast of Clarinda, Iowa, where a tractor-drawn binder is harvesting a field of small grain. Iowa expects to harvest the best crop in its history of big crops.

PROFITS TAX: Urged by Eccles

Renewal of the excess profits tax, a means of counteracting excessive price advances should the OPA bill be scrapped is being urged by Marriner S. Eccles, chairman of the federal reserve board, and others. Pressure will be put on the treasury and the White House to bring it about to curb profits and so as a deterrent to labor demands for higher wages.

Many believe that repeal of the profits levy provided a major impetus to union efforts to gain wage concessions worth all the savings to the big corporations.

Opponents of the excess profits tax believe that, regardless of the treasury and the White House, congress will not accept a proposal to scrap excess profits as was done during the war. Chairman Robert H. Taft, chairman of the powerful conservative ways and means committee, is known to be against the profits tax, and he, with others, can provide a great obstacle to such a plan.

VACATIONS: Farther the Better

Travel-hungry Americans are taking their "Victory vacations" in record numbers, with "the farther the better" as their motto, a mid-season survey shows. "Westward Ho" is another trend, with Yellowstone park far in the lead as the nation's favorite vacation spot.

A count of visitors at Yellowstone from the beginning of the travel year on October 1, 1945, to June 30, this year, indicates that 150,000 persons have entered the park in this current period, compared with 147,716 in the 1945-46 period before the war. In June alone, 158,358 scenic beauty seekers passed the park gates.

Colorado, the Black Hills and other western tourist spots show record numbers of visitors. Next to the west are the northern states of Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota. Boat cruises are more popular than for many years on the Great Lakes and the larger rivers.

A noticeable trend this year is the enthusiasm for automobile touring, which was denied most people during the war years. Owners of seasonal resorts are planning to remain open longer this year to take care of staggered vacations.

CHINA: And UNRRA Relief

Charges of misuse of UNRRA supplies by the Chinese government for political purposes brought about suspension of relief shipments to China except for emergency supplies. Chiang's government immediately protested the suspension as unfair.

A Chinese government spokesman conceded that there was some "petty pilfering" and that poor people sometimes sell the more expensive foods received from UNRRA and buy cheaper food. He stated the quantity involved was small.

Members of the senate appropriations committee in Washington immediately called upon Florio II, LaGuardia, director general of UNRRA, to explain why he cut off relief and rehabilitation supplies to China. LaGuardia stated that shipments would be resumed as soon as Chinese ports were cleared of jammed supplies.

ATOMIC RAYS MAY SAVE BOY'S LIFE

The marvel of nuclear fission is to be used to fight one of mankind's deadliest diseases, leukemia. No recovery from the disease has ever been recorded. Always the white blood cells, which multiply many thousands of times, have brought death. Perhaps atomic energy, or nuclear fission, is powerful enough to arrest the growth of these white blood cells. At least, that is what the physicians are hoping in the case of Alan James Habermeyer, eight, of Aurora, Ill., who has been down to the West coast where atomic energy will be used in an attempt to save his life. Authorities at the American Medical Association center said they believed it to be the first time that nuclear fission had ever been used to fight leukemia.

OPA BILL: Emasculation

Whether or not the new OPA bill being passed by congress will leave any price control to be administered is a 64-dollar question. Here is an exemption box score at its very beginning in the senate:

Exemption for meat and poultry, by Senator Wherry, Neb., passed 49 to 20.

Exemption for milk and dairy products, by Senator Wherry, passed 51 to 27.

Exemption for cottonseed, soybeans and their products, by Senator Eastland, Miss., passed 42 to 34.

Exemption for petroleum and its products, by Senator Moore, Okla., adopted 40 to 30.

More amendments to exemptions were tossed in the next day—and the next!

WHITNEY: Truman Is Beaten

A. F. Whitney, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, testifying before a house labor subcommittee, reiterated that his union had \$2,500,000 which could be used to fight Mr. Truman in event he is a candidate for re-election in 1948. Whitney now feels, however, that the President's "mistakes" are so great that no funds need be used.

"We will not need to spend any money to defeat Truman in 1948," Whitney originally made his pledge to spend \$2,500,000 to defeat Mr. Truman in protest against what he considered unfair treatment by the President in settling the railroad strike.

LABOR: Will Fight

American labor will "rebel and will never yield" to the attacks now being made on it by reactionaries in congress and state legislatures, William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, declared in an address to the convention of the International Brotherhood of Firemen and Oilers in Chicago recently.

American workers are determined to maintain their standards of living at any cost, Green said. He predicted "rising unrest and strikes" unless prices are brought under control. Green said the AFL would attack the validity of the Hobbs bill in the courts, believing it to be unconstitutional.

Labor in many cities has organized to bring back price controls on most commodities.



ROUND THE WORLD . . . Larry Highower, 46, is going around the world pushing a wheelbarrow. He plans to board a boat at San Francisco for the Orient, then trek across the big continent to Portugal, board another ship to New York, then push the wheelbarrow back to Ellensburg, Wash., his starting place.

FARM PRICES: Up or Down?

What farm prices will be within a few months is a 64-dollar question. The OPA is off and they could go sky-high. The government isn't anxious to continue parity payments, and the price of farm products could go down, down, down. Might they seem to be undecided which way they will go.

One day the headlines will state: "Farm Prices Up." But the next day the same newspaper will proclaim: "Corn Off Five Cents." "Oats Off Five Cents; Barley Sags; Cash Grains Lower." "Sharp Egg Loss." At the same time cotton may have advanced five dollars a bale!

A potential sharp reduction in the feed use of grain because of the heavy liquidation of livestock after OPA died resulted in much pressure on corn and oats particularly, two of the main feed crops.

Should farm prices continue to go down while other prices go up, it is feared in many circles that another squeeze, such as that during the twenties, might force congress to come to the aid of farmers by pegging prices or continuing support loans.

TERMINAL PAY: For Nation's EM

The terminal leave pay bill for enlisted men in all of the armed services is moving along steadily on Capitol Hill in Washington. It is backed by the administration and appears to have no formidable opposition from any quarter.

Cost of the bill is estimated at from \$4 billion to \$5 billion dollars, and will give enlisted men terminal leave pay such as is now enjoyed only by officers.

Washington Digest World's Greatest Capital Has Its Seamy Side Too!

By BAUKHAGE
News Analyst and Commentator.

WNU Service, 1616 Eye Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

WASHINGTON.—A boy joined the staff of a four-page paper of which he was one day to become editor.

The office was a rat-infested building whose notable characteristics, he later said, were "sewer gas, rats, dirt, overgrown rowdy newsboys who had to be held in check by a long whip and fire-arms," and it was "positively dangerous at times to go into the alley which they infested, leading to the composing room."

The town as the boy had grown up in it was a struggling overgrown country village "with zigzag grades, no sewerage, no street cars, no water supply except from pumps and springs, unimproved reservations, second-rate dwellings and streets of mud and mire."

That doesn't sound like the nation's capital whose budget for the coming year is \$78,755,000—but that was the way it was in 1858 as described by the editor of the Washington Evening Star, Theodore Noyes, who died early this month.

He joined the paper in 1877. Except for the Australian capital of Canberra which arose almost as Camelot at a wave of Merlin's wand, there is nothing to compare with the bizarre history of a city whose site was based on a political deal and no city which has gone through more vicissitudes than this Baghdad-on-the-Potomac.

No city was ever more magnificently planned, or more discreditably neglected in its early days, as Mr. Noyes' description indicates. Today, as the undisputed capital of the world, it still has to battle with a grudging congress for its budget.

It remains the chief city of the greatest democratic republic whose 93,000,000 citizens have no voice in their own government and whose citizenship itself is a bar to the basic privilege of a democracy—the ballot.

Mr. Noyes was, as is the newspaper he served, a Washington institution. He will be remembered for his long campaign to give Washington a vote in congressional and national matters.

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Does this prove that Democrats are sleeper than Republicans, or that the Republican is a creature of habit?

Rats Were Menace To City's Health
Some time ago I had occasion to mention the invasion of Washington by rats and how the city hired a modern Pled Piper who has done an effective, if silent, job. This was brought to my mind recently when I encountered a fat, black cat on my way to work early one morning. The cat had a gully look, and I had a hunch he had spent the night in riotous living and was merely sneaking in to change his collar.

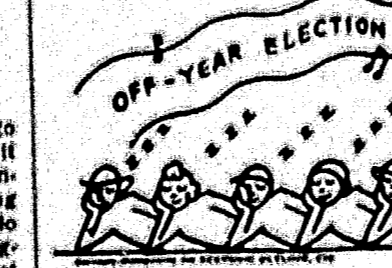
However, the cat's canny caused by the rat-invasion in which, believe it or not, a baby's hand was eaten brought hasty action and I see that it was considered worthy of comment by experts, including the editors of the magazine of the American Museum of Natural History.

The campaign began when a case of typhus which is spread by fleas and mites on rats, was discovered. Traps set in the neighborhood caught a number of rats whose blood was typhus-infected. The United States Public Health service got busy, shipped to learn that the scourge of Europe two centuries ago was a possibility right here in our fair capital.

An expert was called in. He first sealed up all points where commercial transportation entered the city. Then 300 traps were set up in the zone where the infection had been found. Five days later the traps were taken in and the area was thoroughly dusted with DDT, the insecticide which the army perfected. Next red-quill bait was distributed. It kills rats, but not pets or children who might pick up the bait.

In places where there was no danger to human beings the deadly "1080" was distributed. The campaign was successful. Meanwhile, a clean-up of potential rat-breeding premises was started with court orders to enforce it. Today Washington has a complete scientific rat-control program which will cost us about \$75,000 annually.

However, it still leaves a few rats for energetic cats.



In 1940, 50 million votes; 1942, 28 million; 1944, 48 million.

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War Profiteering Will Be Scandal

The juicy scandal uncovered by the senate war investigating committee in which "profiteering at its worst," as Senator Mead called it, was exposed, is, I fear, only the beginning.

Any moment I expect to hear an explosion in connection with surplus property. War breeds waste, and the cloak of patriotic endeavor as Samuel Johnson indicated, even more bluntly, often covers skulduggery.

The same thing happened after the last war, and on a smaller scale, after all wars. But what is probably making people squirm all over Washington is the revelation of the fact that telephone wires were pretty generally tapped, and heaven knows what may be in the FBI files. It is a strange thing about the telephone. People have just come to take for granted that because you can't see anybody on the line, nobody is there.

I wouldn't be surprised to learn that telephone conversations with most of the government departments are being recorded right now. I have reason to believe that when the question of installing these recorders in the White House was brought up, it was flatly turned down. White House employees have a long and excellent record for fidelity. Of course they are carefully screened, and when the campaign to get everybody fingerprinted (an excellent idea if you have nothing to conceal about your past and no plans for an over-adventurous future) was begun, the White House employees voluntarily came forward and offered their thumbs, fingers and hands for the ink-pad.

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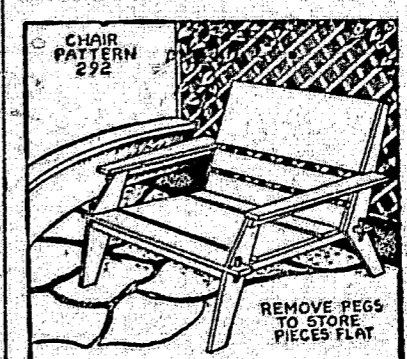
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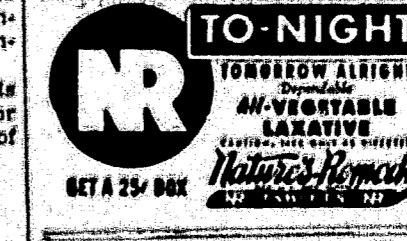
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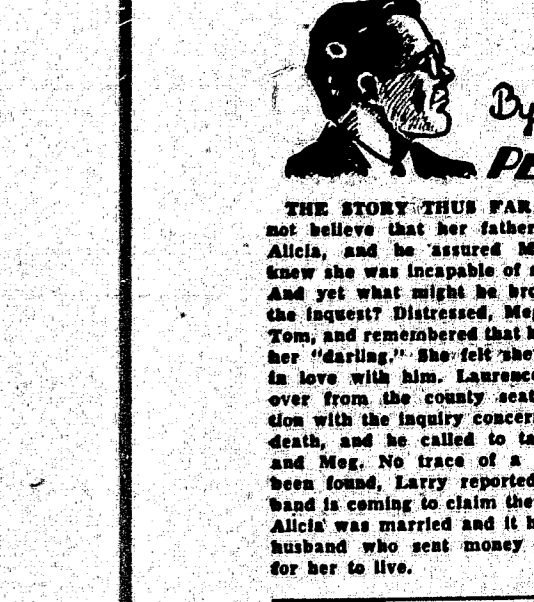
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CHAPTER XI

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"That's the damndest I heard," he admitted as opposite Megan and told across his chest. "I what to make of it—but the imaginative sort. I ways seemed so sensible-headed, such good sense—you wouldn't even believe in ghosts, would you?"

"What on earth are about?" she asked. "Annie's just been to yarn—I told her that I'd to Squire Elbridge and him, because he's in charge of the case here. course the bright boy county seat will want a. But anyway, this is what me."

He leaned forward at her straightly. "I suppose you know little old family burying the foot of the Ridge, top of your pasture, was that you always occur walks?" he began.

"Yes, I know the course," Megan answered tensely, little prickles rising up and down her itchy fingers.

"Well, it seems that coming home night before late from a lodge Mr. Laurence, smiling. "I he'd had some luck with ing dominoes and he kine wouldn't shoot him getting home so late, was somewhere around a little later; Amos was little burying ground where he saw something in his tracks—and may avoid 'galloping domination, though that's a for."

"You can't possibly though he saw the us white figure—" Meg laughed.

Laurence nodded. "I he told her solemnly, claimed, at least eight it didn't have any sort of like it was bel expressed it. There was shiny about it—the n quite full, but the light the meadow. If you he's quite sure, of course a ghost—floated along a fence and then went rusty iron fence. I thing in its hand, couldn't see what it was still in the shadow of watched—because he lyzed with fear to try he thought that if he c with its affairs. It m he was around. He inside the fence, at above one of the old something. And then and looked around an out of the fence and from Amos—and Am a little from his part home in practically Megan said uneas probably been drinki that terrible "white n Pete whips up—and things!"

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and be my Love

By PEGGY DERN

W.N.U. RELEASE

THE STORY THUS FAR: She could not believe that her father had killed Alicia, and he assured Meg that he knew she was incapable of such a deed. And yet what might be brought out at the inquest? Distressed, Meg thought of Tom, and remembered that he had called her "darling." She felt she was falling in love with him. Laurence had come over from the county seat in connection with the inquiry concerning Alicia's death, and he called to talk to Annie and Meg. No trace of a weapon had been found, Larry reported. "Her husband is coming to claim the body," Yes, Alicia was married and it had been her husband who sent money each month for her to live.

CHAPTER XII

She had lost all interest in whatever it might be that Annie was telling Laurence. She was so shaken by the news that Alicia had a living husband, that she couldn't get her mind on anything else. Her father had wanted to marry Alicia; and Alicia had let him think that she was free! How pleasant Meg was going to laugh at the fool Jim MacTavish had made of himself! Because people were talking about the way he had been pursuing Alicia—and how they would know that Alicia's husband cared enough about her to come east for the funeral.

Megan was still sitting in the living room when Laurence came back from his talk with Annie. His brow was furrowed a little and he looked perplexed.

"That's the darndest story I ever heard," he admitted as he sat down opposite Megan and folded his arms across his chest. "I don't know what to make of it—but Annie's not the imaginative sort. She has always seemed so sensible and level-headed, such good sound common sense—you wouldn't expect her to believe in ghosts, would you?"

"What on earth are you talking about?" she asked.

"Annie's just been telling me a yarn—I told her that I'd have to go to Squite Ethridge and pass it on to him, because he's nominally in charge of the case here, though of course the bright boys from the county seat will want a share in it. But anyway, this is what Annie told me."

He leaned forward and looked at her straightly.

"I suppose you know about that little old family burying ground at the foot of the Ridge, just at the top of your pasture, west of the rock that you always occupy on your walks?" he began.

"Yes, I know the place, of course," Megan answered, waiting tensely, little prickles of chill running up and down her spine like icy fingers.

"Well, it seems that Amos was coming home night before last a bit late from a lodge meeting," said Laurence, smiling. "It seems that he'd had some luck with the 'galloping dominos' and he knew that Annie wouldn't show him on sight for getting home so late. Anyway, it was somewhere around midnight, or a little later; Amos was passing the little burying ground when suddenly he saw something that froze him in his tracks—and may make him avoid 'galloping dominos' in the future, though that's a lot to hope for."

"You can't possibly mean that he thought he saw the usual wavering white figure—" Megan almost laughed.

Laurence nodded. "Nothing less," he told her solemnly. "It was, he claimed, at least eight feet tall and it didn't have any shape to it, just sort of like it was being poured, he expressed it. There was something shiny about it—the moon was not quite full, but the light was good in the meadow. He says the ghost—his quite sure, of course, that it was a ghost—floated along the meadow fence and then went towards the rusty iron fence. It had something in its hand, although he couldn't see what it was. But he stood still in the shadow of a tree, and watched—because he was too paralyzed with fear to try to run. And he thought that if he didn't interfere with its affairs, it might not know he was around. He says it moved inside the fence, and bent down above one of the old graves and hid something. And then it stood up, and looked around and moved back out of the fence and to a new away from Amos—and Amos, recovering a little from his paralysis, made it home in practically nothing flat."

Megan said uneasily. "He had probably been drinking up some of that terrible 'white mule' his friend Pete whips up—and he was seeing things!"

Laurence nodded. "That's the line I would follow, if it were not for the fact that that night, possibly a few minutes before Amos saw the eight-foot-high ghost, a woman had been killed and the weapon has never been found," he pointed out.

Megan said swiftly, "You can't possibly think that Amos's hallucination had anything to do with—that?"

"I don't know, of course," Laurence answered. "But, of course, any unusual happening that night, at around that time, will have to be carefully investigated."

He hesitated a moment and then he said quietly, "There is no reason whatever, Megan, for anybody to know that you were on the Ridge with Fallon at the time Mrs. Stevenson was murdered."

And without waiting for her to recover from the shock of his quiet words and their implication, he went quietly out and the door closed behind him.

She sat there for a long time after he had gone. So Amos had seen her with Tom! And Amos had told Laurence.

She bent forward and put her face in her hands and was still—until a soft movement behind her startled her, and she straightened with a little jerk to find Annie in the doorway watching her with compassionate eyes.

"Us didn't want to tell Miss Laurence, Miss Meggie—but us had to," said the gentle old voice.

"Of course, Annie," she managed unsteadily.

"Ain' nobody else gwine know, Miss Meggie—"

"There was nothing wrong, Annie—it was an accident—"

"Course, Miss Meggie—us all knows dat," Annie's voice was comfortable, assured. "Now yo' run up—"



"So you are investigating our tragedy, Mr. Reynolds?"

stalls an' fix yo'self up all purty—" "fo' Miss' Larry gets back an' us has suppeh," urged Annie, and vaguely comforted by Annie's matter-of-factness, Megan heaved herself to her feet and went upstairs.

She grimaced a little as she looked at herself in the mirror. She was white to the lips, there were shadows beneath her dark eyes, and her hair was untidy.

She showered and donned fresh things, a soft green jersey dress the shade of the first new green in spring that has almost a tinge of yellow in it. She brushed her hair until it gleamed and crackled beneath the vigorous onslaught of the brush.

Laurence came back a little later, but he was not alone. With him was a stocky young man whose face looked like that of a man in his early thirties, but whose hair was thickly streaked with gray. He had a pleasant, friendly manner, yet one felt instinctively that he could be tough should occasion require it.

Laurence performed the introductions, saying casually, "Meggie, this is Bob Reynolds. He's a detective from the county police who's looking into this business."

"Hello," said Bob Reynolds, with a friendly smile and a firm, pleasant handshake. "This is quite a yarn your handyman's been spinning, Miss MacTavish. I'd like to talk to him, if I may."

"Of course," said Megan, looking uncertainly at Laurence. "Shall I call him in here—"

"I think Amos would be more at ease if we talked to him in his own cabin, Bob. I know where it is, Meggie—suppose I show Bob the way?" suggested Laurence, and Mr. Reynolds agreed that that would be best.

They went out and a little later Annie came to the door and asked uneasily, "Yo' speck dat policeman gwine stay fo' supper, Miss Meggie? Ill's moas' ready."

"He's a friend of Mister Laurence's, Annie—I imagine he would stay if we asked him. Suppose you set a place for him?" answered Megan mechanically.

Annie hesitated, something else obviously on her mind. But after a minute she said her expressionless "yeasum" and her feet-soled, broad feet padded silently away.

Megan felt that Laurence and Reynolds had been gone a long, long time and looked at the clock to see that barely ten minutes had elapsed since they had left the room. But it was closer to thirty minutes before they returned, and as they came along the hall, Megan heard their low-pitched, cautious voices and her nerves crisped a little.

"Did you find Amos?" she asked with what she hoped was exactly the proper amount of polite infection.

"Oh, yes, he was waiting for us," answered Laurence, "just as I had asked him to do."

Bob Reynolds eyed Megan straightly and asked, "How long has Amos been working for you, Miss MacTavish?"

"All my life," answered Megan quickly. "Annie came to work for my mother when she was fifteen. She and Amos were married a year or so later, and moved into that little cabin, and were there when I was born. This is as much their home, almost, as mine."

Bob nodded. "Then what would you say about Amos's truthfulness? I mean is he reasonably truthful in his statements—or is he given to telling tall tales?" he asked.

Megan managed a little laugh she hoped did not sound too artificial or forced.

"Well, I'd say that all depended, Mr. Reynolds," she confessed gaily. "If you mean when he is explaining to Annie how it happened he's lost all his money in a crap game, I think he shows amazing imagination and inventiveness. But ordinarily, I'd say Amos is quite truthful."

"In other words, if he says he saw a ghost eight feet high hovering around in an old burying ground, then he saw something looking at least remotely like that?" suggested Bob pleasantly.

"I feel quite sure that he did—or thought he did," answered Megan promptly and honestly. "The impression I got from the old fellow," he admitted. He stood in thought for a moment before he looked straight at her and asked quietly, "What would be your explanation for his story, Miss MacTavish? How could you account for it?"

Megan set her teeth hard for a moment and there was pure panic in her eyes, but before she could say anything, Bob went on quickly. "I mean, of course, that you are quite familiar with the surrounding territory—it is all strange to me. Do you know of anything that could have alarmed Amos so that he would have mistaken it for an eight-foot ghost?"

"I've been trying to think," Megan said thoughtfully. "There are some old fruit trees around that place. Pear trees in full bloom look ghostly in the dark—only it's too early for them to be blooming. I can't remember whether the trunks of any of the trees have been whitewashed lately. They are not on my land, you see, and I haven't noticed them recently."

Bob nodded, his eyes intent. "A tree trunk whitewashed half way up is a rather spooky looking thing in the dark. And I suppose there would be Spanish moss on the trees?"

In the moonlight, with a slight wind stirring that—" He was obviously thinking aloud, and his brows drew together in a puzzled frown. "Still, Amos is so sure that the 'spook' went inside the gate and bent above one of the old mounds—" He broke off, grinned and said briskly, "Oh, well, we'll have to wait for daylight to make an intensive search of the place, I suppose. From the description Amos and Larry both have given me, I don't imagine we could accomplish much by searching to-night. I'll be over first thing in the morning, and we'll give the place a going over."

He was obviously on the verge of leaving, and Megan said quickly, "Won't you stay for supper, Mr. Reynolds? We'd like having you!"

"Better take her up on that, Bob. Annie's the best cook in seven states—at a conservative estimate!" said Laurence lightly.

Bob beamed happily. "Well, now, if you're sure it won't be an imposition, there's nothing I'd like better!" he assured Megan gratefully. "And I'll give you a lift back to Menderville later, Larry."

"Swell!" Laurence agreed happily.

Just as Annie came to the door to announce that supper was ready, the front door opened and Jim came in. Megan caught a glimpse of him before Laurence or Bob saw him; he looked desperately tired and forlorn, his shoulders drooping. But the next moment he became aware of the stranger in the living room. His shoulders went back and his head went up, and he came in, bracing himself, friendly, polite, hospitable, as Laurence performed the introductions.

Annie made her delayed announcement of supper, and they went in and were seated, before Jim spoke to Bob. "So you are investigating our—tragedy, Mr. Reynolds?"

"Yes," answered Bob, eyeing hungrily the crisply browned stuffed chicken that Annie had placed before Jim, who was about to wield an expert carving knife. "And I don't mind telling you that I consider it an open-and-shut case."

For the barest moment Megan thought the carving knife shook in her father's hand, but the next instant he went on carving, delicately thin slices of chicken and laying them carefully on the plate before him.

"An open-and-shut case? You mean you have—er—an idea as to the guilty person?" Jim asked, with a beautifully balanced interest and curiosity in his voice.

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Veterans' SERVICE BUREAU

EDITOR'S NOTE: This newspaper, through special arrangement with the Washington Bureau of Western Newspaper Union at 1616 Eye Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., is able to bring readers this weekly column on problems of the veteran and serviceman and his family. Questions may be addressed to the above Bureau and they will be answered in a subsequent column. No replies can be made direct by mail, but only in the column which will appear in this newspaper regularly.

Books Available to Vets

More than a million text books acquired from the War Assets administration will be distributed by the Library of Congress to accredited colleges and universities for use of veteran-students. Veterans' administration has announced.

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Questions and Answers

Q. Our son who was almost our sole support served 30 months in the armed services. He was in the service for 18 months before we received an allotment. Is there any way we can get this allotment for the first 18 months he was in the service? We were as much dependent then as we were when the allotment was granted. — Reader, Staples, Mich.

A. It would depend upon when your son made request for an allotment. If he made no request and the money was not deducted from his pay, then there is no chance to get it. If he made the request, the money was deducted and for some reason you did not receive it, you can collect it. Suggest you write your son and ask when he made his request for the allotment.

Q. My son has been in service since January, 1945. He has been overseas since August, 1945. I need him at home to help see after his father as he is not able to work. We are farmers. When will he be eligible for discharge? He was an 18-year-old draftee.—L. Mc., Scottsboro, Ala.

A. Your son apparently has only about 9 points as of September 2, 1945, so unless for some reason he is discharged sooner I would guess he will have at least another year to serve under present regulations.

If you can prove dependency or hardship which has occurred since he entered service, it may be that he could be discharged for these reasons. However, he must ask for that discharge from his commanding officer.

Q. My son was discharged in October after 30 months in service. He was a flight officer in the air corps and has his battle stars, oak leaf cluster, etc. Now he would like to get into the Reserves. Do they accept flight officers? What will be the best way to go about getting in? —Mrs. M. F. O., Denver, Colo.

A. At the moment, the answer is that flight officers are not acceptable, but by the time you read this the army may have issued new regulations providing for acceptance of flight officers into the reserve. The matter is pending now with the authorities. Suggest you keep in touch with your local army headquarters.

Q. My son recently enlisted for three years in the army. There are three of us in the family, the son, myself and mother. There are no brothers or sisters. We are very much alone and my son is the sole support. We are both afflicted with angina pectoris. Is there any one to whom we can appeal not to send my son across for overseas duty? My reason is that if either of us should expire, the remaining one would need my son home to care for her. If death takes one of us, could he get a discharge to come home and care for the other one? —Mrs. W. T. B., Brookhaven, Miss.

A. In the first place, the son was not forced to enlist for three years, and he can provide family allotment for you if he wishes. If he wishes to obtain a discharge using his family as a hardship case, he should take it up with his commanding officer. There is no one to whom you can appeal about the overseas exemption since he cannot be half-in and half-out of the army.

Q. I am a veteran whose total service was spent in the navy's V-12 program. Am I entitled to more education under the G.I. Bill of Rights?—J. C. K., Redwood, Ark.

A. The VA has ruled that a veteran whose total period of service in the armed forces was spent in ASTP or in V-12, the navy college training program, studying medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine or theology is not entitled to any further education benefits under the G.I. Bill. The VA will rule upon the eligibility of other cases which come under V-12 headings.

The Once Over

By H. Phillips

Jimmy Durante at Yale

Jimmy Durante was a guest at the Yale commencement exercises the other day. The Yale classic festivities coincided with the opening of Jimmy's latest movie "Two Slaters From Boston" in the college town. Both Yale and the picture people made the most of it. No result was announced officially, but observers say Yale lost another close one.

Believe it or not, the class of 1913 adopted Durante. And in one of the class costumes "The Schnozzle" paraded in the traditional commencement parade, did his stuff at the annual ball game and was photographed being welcomed by Pres. Charles Seymour of Yale and Mrs. Seymour, a distinction not recorded by Trygve Lie, secretary of the United Nations, and many notable Americans present for honorary degrees.

Proving that by the scale of cock-eyed values existing in this screwball age there is no limit to how far a radio celebrity and Hollywood star may go.

News that Jimmy Durante would be a Yale commencement figure drew out greater crowds than any commencement in years and there are those who insist that the closing line of the famous old Yale theme song was rendered "For God, for Country and for the Schnozzle."

"I never realized them Yale scouts was even watchin' me," said Jimmy. "I admit I never stopped Harvard or Yale, but on the other hand I kept Notre Dame from getting on the Yale schedule."

"I was always a Yale man at heart, even if my soul belonged to the University of Hard Knocks and my body to good old Crossley Ratings. Blue is my favorite color and I'll see that it gets a break in television."

"I was cut out to be a college man, but in my youth I could never get much practice in punting and drop kicking on account of them low ceilings in Greenwich village night-eries. My first words as a baby were 'Boola Boola.' I was christened James but my folks called me Elihu for short. And I was shorter than most kids."

"Yale was in my blood. I could feel it thumping there, but not getting nowhere. Maybe it was on account of the good blocking by Harvard and Princeton."

"I wanted the higher education but I was particular. I said it's Yale or nuthin' with me. Yale lost that one too!"

CAN YOU REMEMBER—
Away back when you took it in the right spirit if somebody offered you a dollar?

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Love and Flagpoles
America must be getting back to normal. A couple were married on top of a flagpole the other day.

Marshall Jacobs, a professional flagpole sifter and Yolanda Cosmar, the girl of his choice, went through the wedding ceremony of the year at Coshoboken, Pa. The wedding numbers were announced as "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life" and "I Love You Truly." We would have recommended "Don't Fence Me In" and "Upsie Daisie."

Evidence of a return to daffiness in this country is most comforting. And we needed a demonstration of true and unwavering love and devotion. When a bride goes up to the top of a 175 foot flagpole for her man that is it.

Why America Is Great
"I have seen magnificent universities in America. I have seen its wonderful laboratories and its museums of which old European culture would be proud, and I have also seen Lions' club luncheons where full-grown men, imitating lions, roared upon command. It is a curious country." — Ilya Ehrenburg, visiting Russian writer.

We know a Lions' club. Ilya, in which a college dean leads the roaring and a laboratory chief tosses his head while he roars like a Nubian species.

What this country needs is a good five cent dollar.

"Times Square Ticket Agency Robbed"—headline.

It's about time.

General Eisenhower says three big factors made victory in Europe possible. He fails, however, to mention the number one factor that broke Hitler down: The way the Yanks said, "Oh yeah," to Adolf's mike addresses!

ASK ME ANOTHER?

A General Quiz

The Questions

1. How many capitals did the United States have since the Declaration of Independence?
2. Where did Portland cement gets its name?
3. Did spaghetti originate in Italy?
4. The walls of what city came tumbling down because of the shattering effects of sound waves?
5. What former President was chief justice of the United States?
6. Who made the comment by song, "I'll never, never find a better friend than Old Dog Tray"?
7. Where does ambergris come from?
8. What did the Greeks wofshi under the name of Boreas?
9. The name given the steering man of a racing shell is what?
10. Submarines spend more time on the surface than submerged even in wartime. Why is this?

The Answers

1. Nine.
2. From "Portland stone" which comes from England. It bears close resemblance to Portland cement.
3. No. Marco Polo introduced spaghetti to Italy from China.
4. Jericho.
5. William Howard Taft.
6. Stephen Foster.
7. It is yielded by sick whales.
8. The north wind.
9. Coxswain.
10. To conserve and recharge their batteries, which must be used when submerged.

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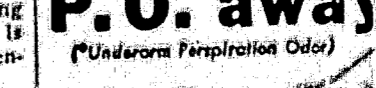
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ALBANY TOWN HOUSE

Mrs. Annie Bumpus, Correspondent
The Albany Circle held their annual business meeting with Mrs. Bertha Andrews Thursday evening. The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read and accepted, after which the following officers were elected for another year.
President—Hazel Wardwell
Vice Pres.—Edith Stearns
Secretary—Edna Spring
Treasurer—Bertha Andrews
Following the business meeting refreshments of ice cream and cookies were served by the hostess Alfred Leighton has the mumps.
Mr and Mrs Earlon Keniston and daughter Lona, called at Harlan Bumpus' Saturday afternoon.
Joe Faine and Elmer Saunders attended the carnival at Norway Saturday night.
Mrs Edith Stearns and Mrs Annie Bumpus were in Lowell recently.
Mrs Harlan Bumpus and children Arthur, Edwin, Ruth and Kenneth, were Sunday guests of Mr and Mrs Harry Bumpus and family at Auburn.

MIDDLE INTERVALE

Mrs. Augustus Carter, Correspondent
Miss Alice Carter, Miss Emily Dae and Miss Frances Carter were at Plymouth, N H, Monday until Tuesday.
Donald Johnson of Arlington, Mass, spent the week end with Mr and Mrs J H Carter.
Mrs Nancy Bucher and daughter, Rawson, Miss Minnie Carter of Paris Hill were visitors at the Brick End House Tuesday afternoon.
Miss Grace Carter and Miss Fannie Carter were visitors at the Brick End House Wednesday afternoon.
Elizabeth Ward is ill with the grippe.
Leonard Cotton of Mechanic Falls is spending a few days with his cousin, Thomas Carter.
Miss Emily Dae was in Newton, Mass, Tuesday and Wednesday of last week.
Miss Alice Carter is leaving Saturday morning for Portland, Oregon to visit her sister, Mrs Frederick Brundage. She will arrive there Tuesday morning.

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EAST BETHEL

Mrs. Rodney Howe, Correspondent
Mr and Mrs Chester Harrington's youngest daughter, Gloria, is ill.
Howard Fales of Dorchester, Mass is visiting Mr and Mrs Rodney Howe.
Mr and Mrs Richard Blanchard of Cumberland were Saturday night and Sunday guests of Mr and Mrs Robert Hastings. Lois and Kenneth Blanchard, who have been visiting at the Hastings home this week returned home with them.
Mr and Mrs Alvin Averill and Mr and Mrs Bernard Hutchins and family of Andover were visitors at S B Newton's Monday.
Mr and Mrs S D Harrington went to Bailey's Island with Mr and Mrs Lewis Powers Friday night and came home Sunday.
Mr and Mrs Alvin Averill of Andover visited Mr and Mrs S B Newton Thursday.
Mr and Mrs Rodney Howe and family and Howard Fales were in South Paris Monday.
Mrs Edith Howe, Edw Hastings and Gordon Howe were guests of Mr and Mrs Philip Chadbourne at their camp at Howards Pond Wednesday night.
Mr and Mrs Leroy Holt and daughter, Nancy of Neponset arrived Monday to spend two weeks as guests of Mrs Fannie Bartlett and Mrs Ione Holt.

SOUTH ALBANY

Oxford Pomona Grange No 2 will meet with Bear River Grange Newry Corner for an evening meeting on Tuesday evening, August 6. Sister Helen Harriman, chairman of the State Grange Home and Community Welfare Committee will be the speaker.
David Robinson, the summer worker in the United Parish assisted with the church service at Albany on Sunday.
Mr and Mrs Arthur Andrews were Monday night guests of Mr and Mrs Arthur Wardwell.
Abner Kimball, Floyd Kimball and Hugh Stearns called at Roy Wardwell's Monday.
Roy and Arthur Wardwell delivered a load of wood to Cecil Kimball at Locke Mills Monday forenoon.
Preston and Susie Flint called on Leon Kimball Saturday afternoon.
Hugh Stearns and "Ducky" Ring have finished haying.
Mr and Mrs Arthur Wardwell, Albert Dunham and Mr and Mrs Roy Wardwell were in Lewiston Tuesday afternoon.

WILSON'S MILLS

The tar crew which have been boarding at Leon Bennett's will leave soon for another job.
Raymond Wentzell, Buddy Fields and Glen Soucy all of Oquossoc are driving trucks over here, hauling gravel for the state road.
William Walker of Gorham, N H was visitor of the Adams Sunday.
The tar crew had to take their tar spreader to Bethel to be fixed. While on the way home through Berlin, he broke down again and had to get repaired.
Earl Janell of Massachusetts is putting his cement cellar in now. Leon Bennett has finished his.
There will be dances every Friday night from now on at Magnaford town hall from 9 P M until 1 A M.
Barbara Littlehale and Eleanor Fredericksen attended the dance Friday night.
Millicent Bennett of Malden, Mass, and Grace Allen will spend a weeks vacation at Alacooz Inn the first week in August.
Bertha West will clean the school house this year.
Emery Cameron is hauling hay from Oquossoc.
Virginia Cameron is cooking for guests at her dad's camps (Ewen Cameron's).
Boys and girls who want to school with Mary Wentzell at Bethel and at Gorham were glad to see her recently.

NORTH WOODSTOCK

Mrs. C. James Knights, Cor.
Mr and Mrs Myron Rand of Lebanon were week end guests of Mr and Mrs Arthur Whitman.
Mr and Mrs Everett Cole and daughter, were in Lewiston Monday.
Howard Smith was a supper guest of Mr and Mrs Herschel Abbott last Tuesday.
Mrs Nannette Foster and daughter, Elizabeth, David Foster and children, June and Johnny, were at George Abbott's Saturday evening.
Mrs Hattie Brown spent the week the week end at Green with her son, James and family. Her granddaughter returned home with her for her vacation.
Mr and Mrs Otis Dudley, son Dana, Mr and Mrs D O Dudley, also Miss C Chase of Middleton, Mass, were at Herman Cole's Sunday.
Mr and Mrs Herman Cole and Isaac Judkins were at West Paris one forenoon last week on business.
Mr and Mrs Eugene Bland of Washington, D C, were callers last Tuesday night at C James Knights' and Herman Cole's.
Samuel Sweetser visited one day last week with Clyde Knights.
Mr and Mrs Arthur Coffin and family were at West Paris Monday.
Linwood Felt has received his discharge and is at home with his wife and family.
Herman Cole and family attended an auction at Newry Corner Friday.
Herbert Meserve is installing a telephone line from the village to Walter Russ' on Billings Hill.

ROWE HILL

Mrs. Margaret Bryant
Mrs Lena Bryant of Norway was a week end visitor at Wilmer Bryant's.
Mrs Margaret Bryant, Mrs Winifred Hanscom, Mrs Eva Record and Mrs Iva Lang of Locke Mills were in Norway and South Paris Monday forenoon.
Mr and Mrs Fred Caskey of Portland were week end guests of her parents, Mr and Mrs Colby Ring.
Mr and Mrs Durward Lang and son Merle of Locke Mills were supper guests at Wilmer Bryant's Sunday.
Miss Sylvia Ring of Locke Mills was an all day visitor at Ray Hanscom's Sunday.
Mrs Margaret Bryant and Wilmer were in Locke Mills Thursday.
The drought seems to be broken on Rowe Hill. It is still raining Tuesday morning. The gardens were getting pretty dry.



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Mrs. C A Judkins, Correspondent
Ban Barnett of Rumford is visiting his daughter, Mrs Katharine Egan for a few days.
Mrs Selma J Sanborn, also Maynard and Marlene Murphy of Rumford are making a short visit with Mr and Mrs C A Judkins and family.
Mr and Mrs L J Lane and daughter, Eunice are visiting relatives in Boston and vicinity.
Mrs Fred S Judkins was happily surprised Sunday afternoon by a visit from her parents, Mr and Mrs L W Hathaway and some of her brothers and sisters from Bryant Pond.
Miss Mary Douglass of Gorham, N H who is visiting her relatives in town was ill Sunday.
Mr and Mrs Antonio Correia and family of East Providence, R I are spending this week in camp.
Mrs Muriel Heywood, who has been at her summer home for ten days, has returned to her home in Worcester, Mass.
Mr and Mrs Charles Burnham have arrived at their summer camp. The rest of the family are expected to arrive the last of the week.
Miss Edith Blanche Lombard is visiting with friends in Portland.

A Few Suggestions for the men of the family

For Dad and the Older Boys
General Wainwright's Story
Considine
Sgt. Mickey and General Ike
McKeogh-Lockridge
A World to Win —Sinclair
Last Chapter —Pyle
Guy Gilpatrick's Flying Stories
Stories for Men —Grayson
Wake of the Red Witch—Roark
Now only a dollar
Seven League Boots —Halliburton
Desert Gold —Grey
Stairs of Sand —Brown
Grimm Death —Brown
For the Young Fry:
Hardy Boys books —Dixon
A Yankee Flyer under Secret
Orders —Avery
Smoky —James
Lassie Come Home —Knight
Robin Hood —McSpadden

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Colon Fuller has bought a horse.
Agnes Angevine is working for Mrs Clinton Ferren at Errol, N H.

Mrs Annie Coolidge recently entertained Mrs Jack Sullivan, Mrs Emory Fortier and children, all of Berlin, N H.



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And Here We Have IDAHO

By EDWARD EMERINE

WNU Features.

HERE we have Idaho—fabulous sunsets, lakes of gold and dreamy, purple mountains; million stars in the dark blue sky and moonlight on the sagebrush; canyons and ridges, sand dunes and crystal lakes; stunted desert brush and towering pines; waterfalls higher than Niagara and ridges deeper than the Grand Canyon; snow 20 feet deep among the pines and spruce; farms and cities amidst nature's spoiled loveliness; natural caves full of ice in the hot desert.

From the Canadian border on the north to the temperate Cache valley on the south, and from the frozen mountain peaks on the east to the warm Pacific winds in the west valley, Idaho offers a variety of climate, topography and scenic wonder. It has miles of desert and arid table lands, but it also has more lakes than any has ever counted. It has alpine peaks where the snow never melts, and homes heated by water from natural hot springs.

No more interesting, romantic and pleasant area may be found on earth than Idaho. Yet from an automobile train window it may often appear to be a rolling waste, lonely and cruel. Unfortunately the main highways and railroad tracks wander too far from rich and beautiful spots in Idaho, and those who would know the "Gem of the Mountains" must take the side roads—and great will be their reward.

Idaho is a young state, with young and energetic people. They are not hampered by the heavy hand of tradition, nor restrained by the ghosts of their ancestors. Whether Basque shepherders, Mormon descendants, farmers from Nebraska, or recruits from the West, the past states, the people of Idaho are living proof of western friendliness and hospitality. Western progressiveness, and Western determination to harness nature's resources for the good of all.

The early history of Idaho is bound up with that of the states of Oregon and Washington, but its tradition and lore has borrowed much from the Mormons of Utah, the cattlemen of Wyoming, and the miners of Montana. It drew from all its surrounding states and became the great melting pot of the Northwest.

Following the Lewis and Clark expedition, Idaho was the hunting and trapping paradise of early adventurers. Later thousands of persons crossed Idaho by way of the Oregon trail, following the Snake river through the desert. The ruins of thousands of wagons still remain, but the Oregon trail and one of America's greatest migrations added little to Idaho's development.

In 1850 gold was discovered in the Pierce City region and by the autumn of 1862 there were 30,000 persons near Lewiston. A greater discovery followed in the Boise basin, and within a year Idaho City and a population estimated at near 40,000. At the census of 1870, only 55,000 remained of the swarm of miners of the early '60s; but 200 million dollars in gold had been taken out of Idaho—the greatest record in history for a similar period of time.

It was the Mormons who founded Idaho's first permanent settlement in 1800. They believed they were in Utah when they called their village Franklin and made irrigation a fact in Idaho by building a canal three and a half miles long. They also established that year the first school for white children within the present boundaries of the state.

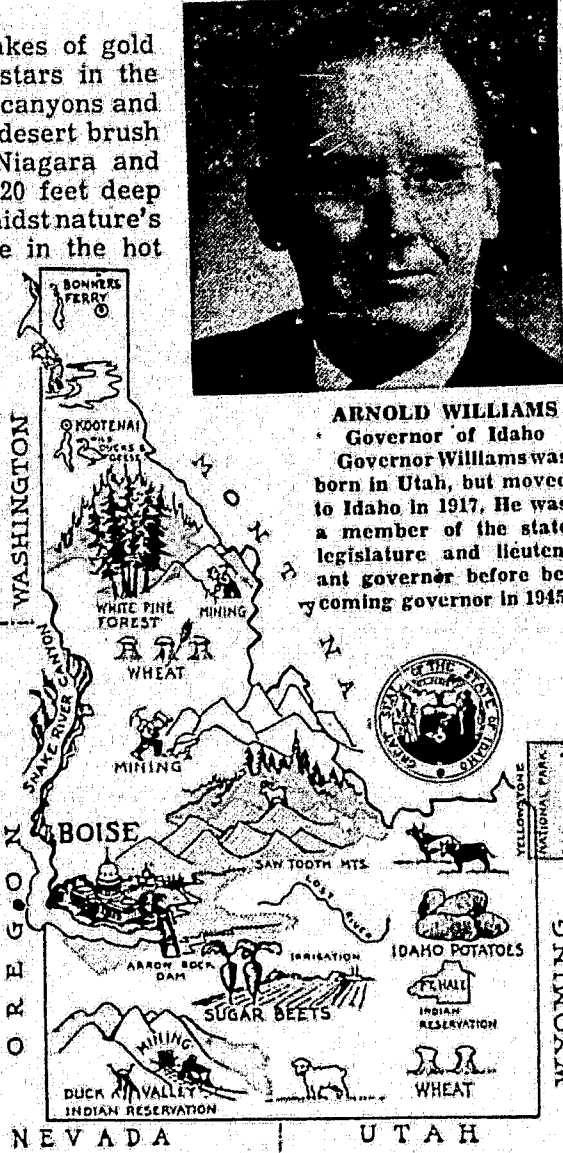
Agriculture made little headway, however, for the feverish industry of thousands exploring the earth for mineral treasures continued. Although the Idaho Territory was created in 1803, more lustrous were to follow. Rich gold strikes were made in the Salmon River and Florence areas, in Boise basin, in the Owyhee terrain, in the Coeur d'Alene, and elsewhere. Boom towns were erected overnight, and the days were rich in murders and hangings, feuds and melodramatic



DESERT? ... Sagebrush cleared away and the magic of irrigation applied, the desert produces Idaho's famous potatoes and other crops.

deaths. The turbulence of Idaho City's former life, and the violence of its ways, may be inferred from the statement of old-timers that only 28 of the 200 persons buried in its cemetery in 1863 died from natural causes!

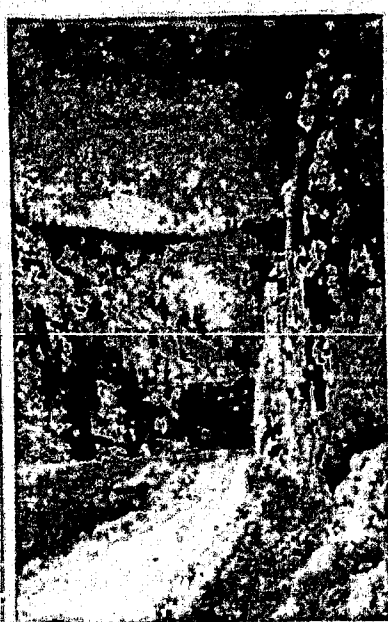
But the development of Idaho was to follow the decline of gold fever. Cattlemen pushed their herds into the territory from Wyoming, and sheepmen soon followed. More Mormon farmers moved northward and irrigation was expanded. The



ARNOLD WILLIAMS
Governor of Idaho
Governor Williams was born in Utah, but moved to Idaho in 1917. He was a member of the state legislature and lieutenant governor before becoming governor in 1945.

Northern Pacific railroad laid its rails across the Panhandle in 1880-82, and the Union Pacific-Oregon Short Line—crossed the southern part of the state in 1882-84. Its mines and forest were opened commercially, and Idaho was no longer a wild frontier.

When Idaho became a state in 1890 its valleys were soon home-steaded by sturdy stock from the Middle West. For each mining



SALMON RIVER ... Highway along the canyon. The Salmon is known as "The River of No Return."

camp that became a ghost town, a new community appeared, built solidly on the development of Idaho's great natural resources. Idaho settled down, at last, to build its kingdom.

The northern part of Idaho reclaimed logged-off land, to become one of the most productive areas in the West. "Idaho white pine—and plenty of it" is the slogan of its lumbermen, and yellow pine grows broad and tall. Idaho's mines yield countless minerals, with more being discovered each year.

The Snake River valley and its drainage area has prospered under irrigation and reclamation, while lands beyond the irrigation ditches have been utilized for wheat and other grains. New irrigation projects are being opened, and Idaho's agriculture and livestock industries are thriving.

Idaho potatoes, famous all over the civilized world, are grown in desert soil enriched by centuries of sagebrush and other desert growth and touched by the magic of irrigation. Even cull potatoes are now utilized and made into industrial alcohol, or fed to livestock. Sugar

beets thrive and alfalfa grows luxuriantly. Cattle and sheep are fattened on rich pastures and in feed lots, and dairy herds are found everywhere.

Only recently has Idaho come into prominence as a playground and recreation spot for people who are weary of make-believe life in cities. It offers year-around skiing, hunting, fishing, swimming, boating and other sports. Pheasants, ducks and geese are plentiful. There are antelope, deer, elk and other big game in abundance to assure the sportsman of his kill. From dog races at Ashton when the snow is deep, to summer boating on Payette lakes or fishing Bend d'Orville, no other state exceeds Idaho in sports of the great outdoors.

New York capitalists and Hollywood movie stars have found in Sun Valley in the Sawtooth Mountains one of the world's finest recreation spots. In winter, skiing is the outstanding sport, with tobogganing and big game hunting following. In summer, the mountain streams near-by offer varieties of trout, the gam-e fish of them all. Lakes and woods in the Stanley Basin afford boating, fishing, riding, hiking and camping.

Idaho is a state of mountains, valleys and deserts, with variety enough for everyone. The mountain range include Cabinet, Coeur d'Alene, Beaverhead and Bitter Root in the north; Salmon River, Sawtooth and Lost Rivers in the center of the state, and the Bear, Blackfoot and Snake River mountains in the southeast, with the Teton along the Wyoming line northward.

Shoshone Falls—46 feet higher than Niagara—pours its flood over a horseshoe-shaped rim in Snake River canyon. Twin Falls is another majestic sight, and American and Salmon Falls are also attractive to visitors.

Idaho offers the unusual—the almost unbelievable—in scenic wonders. The deepest canyon on the North American continent drops almost 8,000 feet below the rimrock of the Seven Devils ranges of mountains. The Big and Little Lost rivers tumble down from mountain peaks to disappear into the porous volcanic desert, breaking into sunlight again at Thousand Springs in the Snake River gorge. Recent volcanic action is offered at Craters of the Moon, and Mount Borah, highest point in the state, carries coral limestone on its crest, lifted from the sea which was once three miles below.

The state of Idaho remains a part of the Great Northwest, rich in resources, sure of its future. The frontier spirit still lives in countless ways within its borders, ready to mount to thunderous zest in the development that seems sure to come.



Mount Borah, 12,665 feet, Idaho's highest mountain.



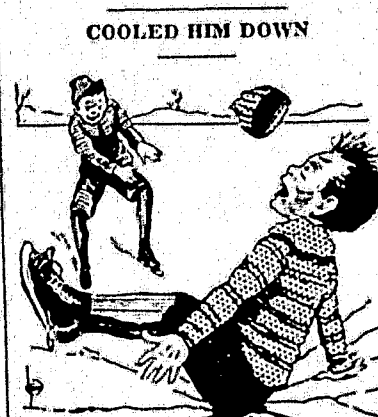
Reflections

SHARPSHOOTERS
The natives of backwoods Missouri do more than provide food and shelter for summer visitors; they provide entertainment as well. In this endeavor, it must be admitted, they are assisted no end by the gullibility of the city folk, who don't seem to know a whooper when they hear one.

In summer the two Hooten boys were frequently observed by the visitors strolling through the woods, one carrying an old muzzle-loading shotgun, the other a clay hammer. "What's the purpose of the hammer?" a city slicker will inquire. Immediately the hammer-bearer will burst into tears. The visitor persists in his questioning.

"Wal," finally explains the boy with the hammer, "we uns is so poor, stranger, we ain't got no money to buy shot, and so we hez to load this here gun with old rusty nails. Every squirrel we hits nowadays is nailed fast to the tree."

The hammer-bearer sobs bitterly. "Then, stranger," he continues, "that big so-and-so—" pointing to his brother, "makes me climb up the tree and pry the critter loose with this here hammer!"



COOLED HIM DOWN

"Ice, you know," remarked the teacher, "will keep things from being spoiled."
"That's not always true, teacher," remarked one of his brighter pupils.
"How so?" asked the teacher.
"Because last week I was out skating, but I slipped on the ice so much it spoiled my fun."

Postponed
After a few words, mostly spoken by the young wife, her hubby sprang to his feet.

"You've gone too far!" he exclaimed angrily. "This is our last quarrel. I'm going right out of your life."

"Oh, Henry, darling, where are you going?" she cried.
"Where I'll never trouble you again," he replied, as he started to open the front door of the little home in which they had such pride—until now. "I'll find a place where wild adventure will wipe out the memories of this moment—perhaps in the jungle—or on the stormy seas."

As he spoke he opened the door, then he closed it again and turned sternly to his wife.

"It's lucky for you it's raining!"

Speed Record
The grocer was disgusted with his colored delivery boy. "You're the laziest boy I ever saw," he said. "Isn't there anything you're quick at?"

The boy thought a moment and then replied, "Yassah ... dey ain't nobody what kin git tired as fast as Ah kin!"

HORSING AROUND

The professor had been lecturing on mining engineering, and when he had finished he asked: "Would anyone like to ask any questions?"
"How," said the bright student, "do you calculate the horsepower of a donkey engine?"

Lending Library
"Say Pete—about that book I loaned you last month—"
"Sorry, Bill, but I lent it to a friend. Do you want it back?"
"Not for myself, but the fellow I borrowed it from says the owner is looking for it."

Reverse English
Political speaker—What we need is a working majority and then—
A voice—Better reverse it, mister. What we really need is a majority working.

Star Dust

STAGE-SCREEN-RADIO

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By VIRGINIA VALE

JANET BLAIR, in pigtails, calico dress and high button shoes, reported for a test for "Regina" in Columbia's "Gallant Journey"; Producer-Director William Wellman said she was the first girl he thought of for the part. She was supposed to look 11, and she did. She says it was the first time she wasn't told that she looked too young to play a role. Janet started her career as a soloist with Hal Kemp's band straight out of high



JANET BLAIR

school, broke into pictures before she was 20. In her colorful gay 90s costume she grows up charmingly in the picture, with Glenn Ford, who's 19 when the picture begins, romancing with her.

Between scenes of "Angel on My Shoulder," Claude Rains covered his own shoulders with a worn tweed coat. He's superstitious about it. He wore it on the "Casablanca" set—the picture won an Academy award. And on the set of "Caesar and Cleopatra" in London, for which he got the highest salary ever given an actor, \$1,200,000.

"Happy Hollywood Homes" will be the title of a Columbia Screen Snapshot, showing film players and directors and their mates who've been married for more than 10 years. Producer Ralph Staub expects to have about 60 such couples in the picture. Unprejudiced observers think maybe he's sticking his chin out, since Hollywood marriages have a way of breaking up even after 10 years.

Fred Waring and his Pennsylvanians, who have a schedule calling for six half-hour broadcasts a week (five mornings and Tuesday evenings) have found time to transcribe a special 15-minute show for the Veterans' administration.

If a tune's danceable, singable and has an appealing idea, the changes are it's set for the "Hit Parade," according to Harry Warren, who wrote "On the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe," "Down Argentine Way" and other hits "Of course," he added, "a Bing Crosby or Frank Sinatra to sing it won't do any harm." He's currently writing the music for M-G-M's "Summer Holiday."

Walter Pidgeon ("Mr. Miniver," "Pierre Curie," etc.) will show, truck, do the Susy-Q and Big Apple with Claudette Colbert for a jitterbug routine in "The Secret Heart," new before the cameras at Metro. Quite a change for the dignified Mr. Pidgeon!

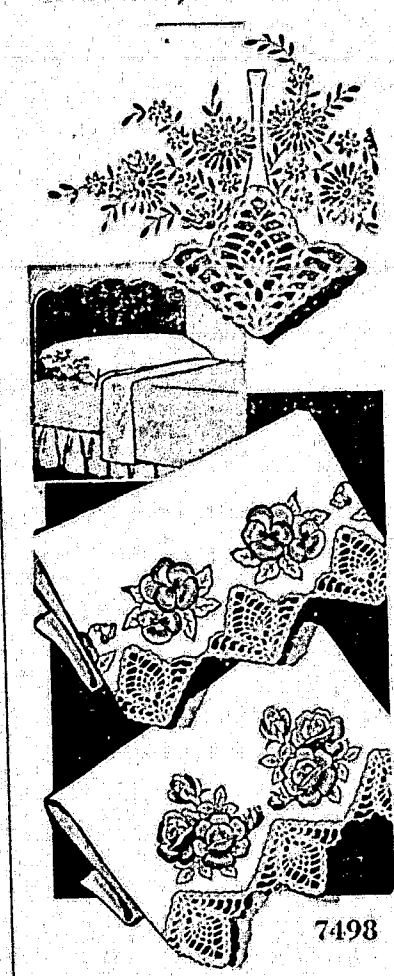
"Possessed" is the new title of the Warner Bros. picture starring Joan Crawford, known till now as "The Secret." It looks like another top-notch for her; Van Heflin plays opposite her, Raymond Massey and Joan Chandler have important roles.

Jenny Desmond sent a carton of her latest records to Princess Elizabeth of England at her request. She became a Desmond fan when he sang for her in Bedford with the Glenn Miller army air force band, and asked that copies of his first recordings be sent to her. It was reported later that Desmond was her "favorite crooner"; she'd heard him sing his "Soldier and a Song" over the armed forces network.

Meredith Willson has been named to the music advisory committee of the Atwater Kent radio auditions, one of the radio's oldest and most honored radio institutions, which was started in 1927, but was discontinued during the war. Resumed this year, it is designed to uncover young talent in singers and musicians, and has given a start to many a successful career.

ODDS AND ENDS—CBS News Reporter Bob Garrod has completed narration for a Columbia Pictures short, and executives plan to put him under a year's contract for similar picture chores. "Philo Vance" has been bought to replace Bill Gargan's "Murder Will Out," with the role of "Sergeant Heath" played by Humphrey Davis. ... Nan Seymour, rotund character actor in "Clock and Hammer," used to be a circus strongman. ... Bing Crosby's been notified that he's the favorite recaller of American occupation troops in Europe; next in order—Frank Sinatra, Vaughn Monroe and the King Cole Trio, according to a poll.

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